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Profiles of International Experts

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Tomasz Potkanski has seventeen years of professional experience, including ten years in direct management of training, technical assistance and evaluation projects for public administration and a wider public sector. He has extensive experience in planning and managing large training and institutional capacity building programs, strategic planning and budgeting, infrastructure development, municipal services restructuring, public-private partnership. Tomasz Potkanski worked for many development and strategic planning projects funded by donor organizations, in particular, United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), the World Bank and others. Mr. Potkanski was a manager of several local community development projects funded by EU-Phare and Leonardo da Vinci programs. Starting from 2004 he is a consultant on strategic planning to the Peoples Voice Project funded by the World Bank. Currently Mr. Potkanski is a coordinator for strategic management of the city of Podkowa Lesna, Poland. On behalf of the Mayor of Podkowa Lesna, he coordinates implementation of the City Development Strategy and the City Institutional Development Program. Mr. Potkanski is a member of Polish Association for the Promotion of Information Society, European Evaluation Society and Polish Evaluation Society. Tomasz Potkanski holds MA and PhD in Anthropology (University of Warsaw, Department of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology), and Executive MBA (International Business School in Warsaw, Poland).

Péter Szegvári, Hungary

Péter Szegvári has an extensive experience in regional development and public administration. He was a General Secretary of the City Council, Budapest (1988-1991) and a General Director of the Municipality of Budapest (1991- 1992). He was also a Senior Consultant to the Prime Minister's Office (1995-1996), and a Director of Postgraduate Institute, School of Public Administration (1992-1995), as well as a Head of Hungarian Regional Development Centre (1996-1998). From 1998 to 2004 Péter Szegvári occupied a position of a Deputy State Secretary and a Chief Advisor to the Cabinet Office. In 2004 – 2005 he was a President of the Regional Development Office of Republic of Hungary. Mr. Szegvári is a member of the Committee at the Hungarian Scientific Academy for Settlement and Urban Affairs; Secretary, Association of Hungarian Local Authorities. He is also a member of the Regulatory Reform Committee of PUMA in OECD and a member of the Advisory Board for Training of Civil Servants, Ministry of Interior. Péter Szegvári holds a PhD in State and Law Science, Faculty of State and Law Sciences, Eötvös Lóránd University Budapest.